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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Q. Grainger
NAOKI ENOMOTO, ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 09/327,167)
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Filed: June 7, 1999)
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS) March 5, 2002

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The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

OFFICE OF PETITIONS
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137
FOR REVIVAL OF ABANDONED APPLICATION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to restore the above-identified abandoned application to pending status on grounds that the delay in reply by Applicants to the outstanding final Official Action, mailed June 23, 2000, was unintentional. In support of the Petition, Applicants state as follows:

1. Accompanying this Petition is the reply required to the outstanding Office Action. In accordance with MPEP § 711.03(c), a reply to a final action may consist of a Notice of Appeal and Appeal fee.

2. Accompanying this Petition is the petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m).

3. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137, Applicants state that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional.

4. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(d), no terminal disclaimer is required.

RELIEF REQUESTED

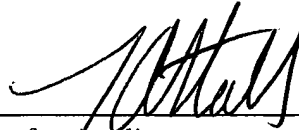
The Assistant Commissioner is respectfully requested to restore the above-identified abandoned application to pending status.

FEE STATEMENT

The requisite Petition fee of \$1,280.00 is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any overpayment or deficiency in payment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached for this purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Stahl', is written over a horizontal line.

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